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1. The DDR Peace Committee (Friedenskomitee) is to implement immediately a plan to have functionaries from the Federal Republic pay week-long informational visits to the DDR. At the suggestion of the Central Directorate in Berlin, the visitors are to be lodged in the land schools of the National Front and in the land SED party schools. On the day of their arrival the West Germans are to witness a large-scale demonstration against the contractual agreements and recilitarization and for a peace treaty. The West German visitors are to be given the opportunity to visit, as a group, key East German industries. They are also to be acquainted with the "ideological weapons for combatting Adenauer's imperialistic politics". The land committees are to check the work to be done (churchharrassment) and the estimated number of visitors for their region and to make a detailed report to the Central Committee in Berlin.

20. Former technical workers in the German airplane plants in Thuringia were ordered to report to their respective labor offices where they had to fill out as accurately as possible questionnaires concerning their professional training and professional activity from 1935 to April 1945. In these cases workers have had to contract to work in the DDR for two years on a job related to their profession (berufswervandte Tätigkeit). The contract which was offered to them designated the employer as the Büro für Wirtschaftspragen (Office for Economic Questions) in Berlin. They were assured, along with their regular salary (tariflicher Leistungslohn), a special allowance of 20 to 30 percent as well as a so-called "Auslösung" (redemption) of 15 DM per day.

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